

## Message Text

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: ESTC, CO  
SUBJECT: MUNITIONS CONTROL: SUB-MACHINEGUN FOR SECRETARY  
OF GOVERNMENT OF TOLIMA

REF: STATE 297816

1. ABEL ENRIQUE JIMENEZ NEIRA IS INDEED SECRETARY OF GOVERNMENT IN THE DEPARTMENT (STATE) OF TOLIMA. THIS IS AN APPOINTIVE, POLITICAL POSITION AND HIS TENURE IS AT THE PLEASURE OF THE DEPARTMENTAL GOVERNOR. WHILE JIMENEZ MIGHT BE ABLE TO JUSTIFY ACQUISITION OF A SUB-MACHINEGUN DUE TO HIS OFFICIAL POSITION, HE COULD PROBABLY OBTAIN ONE FOR OFFICIAL BUSINESS THROUGH THE NATIONAL POLICE OR THE MILITARY. WE UNDERSTAND THAT HE IS AN AVID COLLECTOR OF FIREARMS, AND WE SUSPECT THAT HIS PRINCIPAL DESIRE IN THIS CASE IS TO ADD ONE MORE WEAPON TO HIS PERSONAL COLLECTION.

2. IN COLOMBIA, IMPORTS AND SALES OF FIREARMS FOR PERSONAL USE ARE SUBJECT TO THE ADVANCE AUTHORIZATION OF THE OFFICE OF MUNITIONS AND ARMS CONTROL OF THE MINISTRY OF DEFENSE. APPLICATIONS FOR IMPORT OR PURCHASE OF FIREARMS, WHICH REQUIRE PERSONAL IDENTIFICATION AND A STATEMENT OF NEED, SHOULD BE MADE TO COL. CAMPO E. BOCANEGRA, JEFE DE CONTROL DE ARMAS Y MUNICIONES,  
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NACIONAL, BOGOTA.

3. IF JIMINEZ IS ABLE TO OBTAIN THE NECESSARY PERMISSION FROM THE COLOMBIAN ARMS CONTROL OFFICE, THE EMBASSY WOULD HAVE NO OBJECTION TO THE DEPARTMENT APPROVING AN EXPORT

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